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I detect no defect or deficiency in this motor vehicle as would be likely to affect the safety of its operation or result in its mechanical breakdown.

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I detect the following defects or deficiencies in this motor vehicle as would be likely to affect the safety of its operation or result in its mechanical breakdown.

DRIVER'S SIGNATURE: _____

☐ Above defects corrected

☐ Above defects need not be corrected for safe operation of vehicle.

MECHANIC'S SIGNATURE: _____

DRIVER'S SIGNATURE: _____

§396.11 Driver vehicle inspection report(s).

(a) **Report required.** Every motor carrier shall require its drivers to report, and every driver shall prepare a report in writing at the completion of each day's work on each vehicle operated and the report shall cover at least the following parts and accessories:

- Service brakes including trailer brake connections
- Parking (hand) brake
- Steering mechanism
- Lighting devices and reflectors
- Tires
- Horn
- Windshield wipers
- Rear vision mirrors
- Coupling devices
- Wheels and rims
- Emergency equipment

(b) **Report content.** The report shall identify the vehicle and list any defect or deficiency discovered by or reported to the driver, which would affect the safety of operation of the vehicle or result in its mechanical breakdown. If no defect or deficiency is discovered by or reported to the driver, the report shall so indicate. In all instances, the driver shall sign the report. On two-driver operations, only one driver needs to sign the driver vehicle inspection report, provided both drivers agree as to the defects or deficiencies identified. If a driver operates more than one vehicle during the day, a report shall be prepared for each vehicle operated.

(c) **Corrective action.** Prior to requiring or permitting a driver to operate a vehicle, every motor carrier or its agent shall repair any defect or deficiency listed on the driver vehicle inspection report which would be likely to affect the safety of operation of the vehicle.

(1) Every motor carrier or its agent shall certify on the original driver vehicle inspection report which lists any defect or deficiency that the defect or deficiency has been repaired or that repair is unnecessary before the vehicle is operated again.

(2) Every motor carrier shall maintain the original driver vehicle inspection report, the certification of repairs, and the certification of the driver's review for three months from the date the written report was prepared.